Remarks

In the office action, the declaration was objected to for not being executed. The drawings were objected to for not showing all of the features recited in the claims. In addition, claim 15 was objected to for a redundant recitation. Claims 15 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Finally, claims 1, 3, 5-8, and 16 were allowed and claims 15 and 17 were deemed to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under §112 and in independent form.

In this response, Applicants have amended claim 17 and cancelled claims 15 and 16 without prejudice. As a result of these amendments, claims 1, 3, 5-14, and 17 will be pending in this application, with claims 9-14 having been withdrawn from consideration. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections in view of the amendments and following remarks.

A. Executed Declaration:

The Examiner noted that an executed declaration had not yet been submitted.

Subsequently, we received a phone call from the Examiner stating that the declaration had been received and to disregard that portion of the office action.

Applicants thank the Examiner for contacting the Applicants to point that out.

B. Objections to the Drawings:

The drawings were objected to for not showing all of the features recited in claims 15 and 16. Applicants have cancelled claims 15 and 16, thus obviating the grounds for the objections to the drawings.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

C. Objections to the Claims:

Claim 15 was objected to.

Applicants have cancelled claim 15.

Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

D. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph:

Claims 15-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claims 15 and 16 were cancelled without prejudice. Applicants have amended claim 17 to positively recite a vehicle window, wherein the dark transmission and the bright transmission values of the vehicle window are determined independently of a shading of an additional mechanical shading device.

Withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Applicant requests withdrawal of the objections and rejections. It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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